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"I am very proud to have been of service to
the CIA."

-- Kurt London
Director
Institute for Sino-Soviet Studies

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"Mr. London, who taught at the City College of New York, and was with the State Department, said the idea for the Institute, now in its eighth year, actually stemmed from a discussion he had with Allen Dulles, former CIA chief, in 1958 about government and research. Mr. London said that he decided that government -- concerned about day-to-day events -- could not do historical research and therefore there were always gaps of knowledge, 'missing links'." (Washington Daily News, April 28, 1969)

It was to fill those "missing links" that the Institute for Sino-Soviet Studies was founded.

In order to effectively fill those gaps only men with experience in governmental affairs who had close association with the more crucial government agencies were chosen to serve as members of the Institute.

Kurt London, current Director of the Institute and former CIA analyst, is a Soviet scholar, but his main concern is attracting "fat cats" with the capacity to contribute financially to the Institute so it may continue its services to the government. Mr. London was a former consultant for the Department of Defense; and did research under a grant from the Rehn Foundation, a notoriously right wing organization which supports the Hoover Institute and the Georgetown Center for Strategic Studies to which London was just appointed a member of the Research Council.

Franz Michael, a specialist in Chinese history, maintains that the department is "totally devoid of any party line". Yet, in September 1969 he went on a research tour of the Far East for "academic research". On this tour he spoke to such right wing anti-communist politicians as Okinori Kawa, who insisted that doves like Senators